EC-2741. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Virginia Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2742. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Management and Administration and Designated Reporting Official, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination in the position of Deputy Director for State, Local and Tribal Affairs in the Office of National Drug Control Policy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2743. A communication from the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2008 Accounting of Drug Control Funds": to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2744. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Compensation and Pension Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Presumption of Service Connection for Osteoporosis for Former Prisoners of War" (RIN2900-AN16) as received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2745. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medication Prescribed by Non-VA Physicians" (RIN2900-AL68) as received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2746. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Third Quarterly Report from the Attorney General to Congress; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES DURING ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of August 7, 2009, the following reports of committees were submitted on September 2, 2009:

By Mr. AKAKA, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 728. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance veterans' insurance benefits, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111-71).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 588. A bill to amend title 46, United States Code, to establish requirements to ensure the security and safety of passengers and crew on cruise vessels, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 111–72).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first

and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. Collins):

S. 1649. A bill to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to prepare for attacks using weapons of mass destruction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. LINCOLN:

S. 1650. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve the purchase and processing of healthful commodities for use in school meal programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 1651. A bill to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. 1652. A bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Whitehouse, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Kaufman, Mr. Franken, Mr. Harkin, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bayh, Mr. Bennet, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Kerry, and Mr. Akaka):

S. 1653. A bill to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURRIS:

S. 1654. A bill for the relief of Maria I. Benitez and Maria Guadalupe Lopez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 253. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Government of Libya should apologize for the welcome home ceremony held to celebrate the release of convicted Lockerbie bomber Abdel Baset al-Megrahi; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. Res. 254. A resolution honoring, commemorating, and celebrating the historic ties of the United States and the Netherlands on the quadricentennial celebration of the discovery of the Hudson River, and recognizing the settlement and enduring values of New Netherland, which continue to influence American society; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Bayh, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Bond, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bownback, Mr. Bunning, Mr. Burr, Mr. Burris, Mr. Byrd, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Carper, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Ms. Collins, Mr. Conrad, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Corker, Mr. Cornyn, Mr. Crapo, Mr.

DEMINT, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Feingold, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Franken, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASS-LEY, Mr. GREGG, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Johanns, Mr. Johnson, Mr. KAUFMAN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. Kyl, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Lauten-BERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, LUGAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. McCAIN, Mrs. McCaskill, Mr. Menendez, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MUR-KOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SES-SIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY. Ms. Snowe, Mr. Specter, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, VITTER, Mr.Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 255. A resolution relative to the death of Edward Moore Kennedy, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S 23

At the request of Ms. Cantwell, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. Corker) was added as a cosponsor of S. 23, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the election to deduct State and local sales taxes.

S. 144

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 144, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove cell phones from listed property under section 280F.

S. 354

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 354, a bill to provide that 4 of the 12 weeks of parental leave made available to a Federal employee shall be paid leave, and for other purposes.

S. 384

At the request of Mr. Lugar, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 384, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to provide assistance to foreign countries to promote food security, to stimulate rural economies, and to improve emergency response to food crises, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes.

S. 416

At the request of Mrs. Feinstein, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. Klobuchar) was added as a cosponsor of S. 416, a bill to limit the use of cluster munitions.

S. 43

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the names of the Senator from